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**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

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As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

This declaration is for an original application.

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to our name. We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**A NOVEL METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REPRICING  
A REIMBURSEMENT CLAIM AGAINST A CONTRACT**

described and claimed in the specification attached hereto. We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. We hereby state that we do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to any this application; that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representative or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application; and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representative or assigns.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

**PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER**

60/159,306

**FILING DATE**

10/14/1999

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

We hereby appoint Marvin N. Benn (Reg. No. 26,705), Stephen J. Cassin (Reg. No. 34,098) and Adam K. Sacharoff (Reg. No. 43,075) as our attorneys and member of the firm HAMMAN & BENN, 10 S. LaSalle St., Suite 3300, Chicago, IL 60603, telephone number (312) 372-2920, members of the Bar of the State of Illinois, and patent agent Milton S. Gerstein (Reg. No. 27,891) of the same address, as our patent agent, with full power and revocation, to prosecute this application, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. It is requested that all correspondence to Marvin N. Benn at the above address.

**SIGNATURE(S)**

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Applicants:

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Title:

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STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 C.F.R §1.9(f) and §1.27(b)-SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN)

I hereby state that I am owner and/or an official empowered to act on behalf of the small business concern identified below:

Resource Information Management Systems, Inc.  
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I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern, as defined in 13 C.F.R. §121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third-party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the small business concern identified above, with regard to the invention described in

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d), or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(d) or by a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. §1.9(e) as a small business concern.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the

earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 C.F.R. §1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this statement is directed.

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